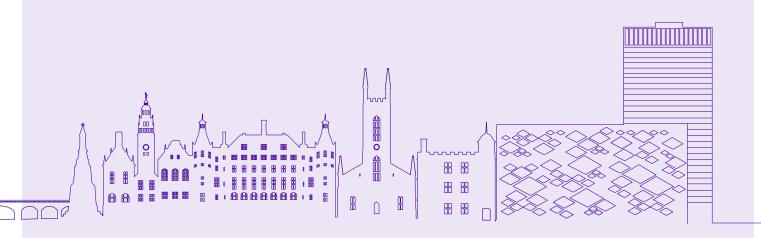


Dan's Trust Scholarships

The impact on students



Since 2019, Dan's Trust has been generously supporting Law students at the University of Sheffield. Here are some of their stories.

Sofia Chhiri Harhar

LLB Law (with Spanish Law)

This scholarship has really helped me a lot with my mental health, before starting university I was worried about a lot of things such as financial difficulties and this scholarship has made things easier for me, so I really appreciate it and I am very very grateful for it.

Molly Byrne

LLB Law

Being from a low-income background I never thought that I would be able to study abroad, but The University of Sheffield gave me bursaries and scholarships that allowed me to go. Even still, the year has decimated any savings that I had to support myself through university, as I cannot turn to family as other students may be able. This meant that I have been worried about financing myself through the cost-of-living crisis and have picked up both seasonal work and a part time job for the next year. This scholarship means that I can limit this work to around 4 hours per week (split over the month) and can guarantee that I am not overworking myself and being distracted from my degree.

Thank you so much for the scholarship. I truly do not believe that I would have made it past the first term of my degree without it, never mind being able to travel to study abroad, as well as see family members in those countries. It has given me a lot of peace of mind to have this financial support, as I have had to rely on myself for this for the majority of my life.

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Anonymous

LLB Law (with Spanish Law)

My Scholarship has really allowed me to excel this year, the scholarship has overall allowed me to be financially stable at university in first year and has funded the expenses of my law books for all of my modules, helped pay towards my laptop which I use every single day for university, all of my stationary which would have been completely unaffordable and further society expenses which I wouldn't be a part of without the Dan's Trust scholarship. Overall, I would like to again express my gratitude to the Dan's Trust for this scholarship and for choosing me. Without this I wouldn't have been able to excel and delve out of my comfort zone so much as I have this past year, this scholarship has allowed me to focus on my studies wholly without the concern of finances looming over me and for that I am ever so grateful.

Shannon Baird

LLB Law

The scholarship has given me energy and peace of mind. It has made it possible to entirely give my degree my best shot because it allows me to not have to work a part-time job because I know this would be too stressful for me. Having dyslexia means that studying for me will take twice as long, and with my anaemia, it makes me tired quick - so time and energy are so precious to me. Instead, any work I do outside of university can be law-related and volunteering/work experience to increase my network and likelihood of getting a Training Contract to be a Solicitor.

This has been a big year of change for me, since I had to move and deal with bills - the energy crisis is no joke! Words cannot give justice to the relief it is knowing that the scholarship means that there is one less stress during my most important academic, final year.

Thank you so much for being so selfless and generous with your resources and achievements. I am deeply thankful for Dan's Trust and all those fulfilling its mission to make things possible and a lot easier for others

Adam Smith

LLB Law (European & International)

Choosing the early 3 year payment so I received some money whilst on my year abroad in Utrecht also meant I was able to experience the Dutch culture more than I would have been able to due to high living costs and work permits. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Ian for the scholarship, it's been a huge huge help, and more than he probably realises. I've had a rough few years with covid, being away from my family etc so this extra funding has allowed more socialising, flights to see family and extra legal research which have been so useful

Anonymous

LLB Law

I have used the scholarship to help me buy or access online, the textbooks I need in large print to give me the best chance at achieving the best grade I can. The scholarship also helped me buy the smart clothes I needed for my Pro Bono at Support Through Court based in the Crown Court alongside travelling there meaning I was able to not only commit to general volunteering but also attend hearings with clients to provide emotional support and take notes. Thank you so much for taking the time to help others achieve their goals. Without the scholarship, there would have been many things that I would not have been able to do and therefore achieve whilst at University. Your kindness has really made a difference.

Anonymous

LLB Law and Criminology

The money I received from my scholarship had a positive impact on me personally, as well as my student experience. I used the money from my scholarship to purchase my laptop which was very beneficial in terms of allowing me to be more efficient when taking my lecture notes, as well as allowing me to complete essays and assignments and submitting them on time. I also used the money from my scholarship to support myself during my first year, this had a very positive impact on me, personally, as it freed me from financial stress and allowed me to focus solely on university.

Thank you for providing me with this scholarship. Coming from a low-income family meant that whilst growing up money was often an issue. As well as this since I was the first person in my family to attend university, and with my parents not being very educated, I didn't have anyone to guide me or introduce me to any opportunities, which is an advantage some of my peers had. One of my main concerns when starting university was not having enough money to support myself, however receiving this scholarship has allowed me to enjoy my time as a student, as well as allowing me to focus on my education without any financial stress. This has helped me both personally and academically and has helped greatly in terms of my university experience.



"Thank you Dan's Trust, your support is making an enormous difference in the lives of students"

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